

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 3116
OFFERED BY MR. WALSH OF ILLINOIS**

At the end of title II add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . SOFTWARE LICENSING.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
3 enactment of this Act, and every 2 years thereafter, the
4 Chief Information Officer of the Department, in consulta-
5 tion with Department component chief information offi-
6 cers, shall—

7 (1) conduct a Department-wide inventory of all
8 existing software licenses including utilized and un-
9 utilized licenses;

10 (2) assess the needs of the Department and the
11 components of the Department for software licenses
12 for the upcoming 2 fiscal years; and

13 (3) examine how the Department can achieve
14 the greatest possible economies of scale and cost-sav-
15 ings in the procurement of software licenses.

16 **(b) EXCESS SOFTWARE LICENSES.—**

17 (1) PLAN TO REDUCE SOFTWARE LICENSES.—

18 If the Chief Information Officer determines through
19 the inventory conducted under subsection (a) that

1 the number of existing software licenses of the De-
2 partment and the components of the Department ex-
3 ceeds the needs of the Department as assessed
4 under subsection (a), the Secretary, not later than
5 90 days after the date on which the inventory is
6 completed under subsection (a), shall establish a
7 plan for bringing the number of software licenses
8 into balance with such needs of the Department.

9 (2) PROHIBITION ON PROCUREMENT OF NEW
10 SOFTWARE LICENSES.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
12 subparagraph (A), upon completion of a plan
13 established under paragraph (1), no additional
14 resources may be obligated for the procurement
15 of new software licenses until such time as the
16 need of the Department exceeds the number of
17 existing and unused licenses.

18 (B) EXCEPTION.—The Chief Information
19 Officer of the Department may allow the pur-
20 chase of additional licenses and amend the
21 number of needed licenses as necessary.

22 (c) GAO REVIEW.—The Comptroller General of the
23 United States shall review the inventory conducted under
24 subsection (a) and the plan established under subsection
25 (b).

1 (d) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—A copy of each in-
2 ventory conducted under subsection (a) and each plan es-
3 tablished under subsection (b) shall be submitted to the
4 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Af-
5 fairs of the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Secu-
6 rity of the House of Representatives.

